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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Febvre *et al.*

Appl. No. To Be Assigned

Filed: Herewith

For: **Communication Methods and  
Apparatus**

Art Unit: To Be Assigned

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Atty. Docket: 1487.0150000

**Preliminary Amendment**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to any action on the merits, Applicants respectfully request the following changes be made:

In the Claims:

Amend the claims as follows:

Claim 14, line 1, change "13" to --12--;

Cancel claims 16, 17 and 23-25 without prejudice or disclaimer.

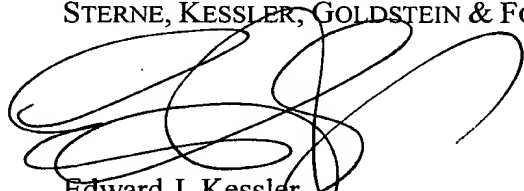
**Remarks**

Claims 1-15 and 18-22 are presented for consideration in this application.

Prompt and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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